OPINION 1405
APHELINUS MYTILASPIDIS LE BARON, 1870 (INSECTA, HYMENOPTERA): CONSERVED

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *albidus* Westwood, 1837, as published in the binomen *Agonioneurus albidus,* is hereby suppressed for the purpose of the Principle of Priority but not for that of the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The name *mytilaspidis* Le Baron, 1870, as published in the binomen *Aphelinus mytilaspidis,* is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *albidus* Westwood, 1837, as published in the binomen *Agonioneurus albidus,* and as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)2320

An application for the conservation of *Aphelinus mytilaspidis* Le Baron, 1870 was first received from Professor D. Rosen (*The Hebrew University, Rehovot, Israel*) and Dr P. DeBach (*University of California, U.S.A.*) on 1 October 1979. After correspondence a revised draft was published in *Bull. zool. Nom.*, vol. 39, pp. 73–76 (March 1982). Public notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to nine general and nine specialist serials. A comment was received from several workers from the British Museum (Natural History) and the Commonwealth Institute of Entomology, London, and published in *Bull. zool. Nom.*, vol. 40, pp. 70–71. A reply from Professor Rosen was published in vol. 42, pp. 214–215. No further comments were received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 17 April 1986 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.*, vol. 39, p. 74. At the close of the voting period on 17 July 1986 the state of the voting was:

Affirmative Votes—sixteen (16) received in the following order: Melville, Savage, Cocks, Kabata, Willink, Corliss, Starobogatov, Schuster, Halvorsen, Uéno, Thompson, Alvarado, Ride, Bayer, Kraus, Cogger

Negative Votes—three (3) received in the following order: Holthuis, Mroczkowski, Hahn.

No votes were returned by Bernardi, Dupuis, Heppel, Lehtinen and Trjapitzin. Gruchy was on leave of absence.

In voting against, Professor Dr Hahn said that he was not convinced that *albidus* was so definitely a synonym of *mytilaspidis* that it should be suppressed, although he supported precedence for *mytilaspidis*.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:
albidus, Agonioneurus, Westwood, 1837, *Phil. Mag.*, ser. 3, vol. 10, p. 442
mytilaspidis, Aphelinus, Le Baron, 1870, *Amer. Entomol. Bot.*, vol. 2, p. 360.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (1986) 19 were cast as set out above, that the proposals contained in that voting paper have been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1405.

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International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
London
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